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**Re: Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee
San Tan Expansion Project, Case No. 105**

Attn: Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee

In the hearings held before the Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee, the Salt River Project (SRP) identified two water supply alternatives to meet the 6,440 acre-feet (af) water requirement for the proposed San Tan Expansion Project (SEP). The first alternative would be a cooperative effort between the Town of Gilbert and SRP. The second would have SRP providing its own water supply.

The Arizona Department of Water Resources (Department) requested SRP and the Town of Gilbert to provide additional information to enable the Siting Committee to better understand the viability of each source of supply.

At the February 12, 2001 SEP hearing of the Siting Committee, SRP provided the information, dated February 6, 2001, in response to the Department's request. Since the information was provided late in the hearing process, there was no opportunity for the Department to discuss this information with the other members of the Siting Committee. No material was received from the Town of Gilbert

The information provided in the February 6, 2001 document has addressed the issues and concerns expressed by the Department in the hearing process. The water supply alternatives are both acceptable and either should be able to meet the water requirements for the SEP.

Sincerely,

Dennis Sundie, Section Manager
Water Resources Planning Section

cc: Corporation Commission
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